Vanity Of Vanities

Vanity is found in 79 verses in the Bible. 3 of which are in the New Testament.

Rom 8:19-21 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For **the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly**, but by reason of him who hath subjected *the same* in hope, Because **the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption** into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

(See Also Eph 4:17, 2Peter 2:18)

Vanity in the Greek is; G3153 ματαιότης From G3152; inutility; figuratively transientness; morally depravity. G3152 μάταιος From the base of G3155; empty, that is, (literally) profitless, or (specifically) an idol.

Vanity is inutility, being useless or unusable. Transient, being morally deprived, empty.

Ecc 1:1-4 The words of the Preacher, the son of David, king in Jerusalem. Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities; **all is vanity**. What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun? One generation passeth away, and another generation cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.

Ecc 1:14 I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and, behold, **all is vanity** and **vexation of spirit**.

Solomon states that all is vanity. Paul states we were made subject to vanity, but also to be delivered from corruption. Vexation of the spirit is a feeding upon or grasping after. A spirit with affliction, a troubling spirit.
Experiences are what make up life. Life living to choose either goodnesses or evils until we have overcome repetitive evils and understand how true life is, which is a life of total love.

Psalms 94:11 The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.

The only way vanity can be understood is because "the creature itself also shall be delivered", so all would have to be vanity.

What have you gained from the world through your life experiences that you can attribute to growth in your relationship with God, or better said, through your learning to live a life by way of the two greatest commandments? (See Mat 22:36-40)

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